

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 97-483-G - ORDER NO. 98-385

MAY 29, 1998

IN RE: Application of Piedmont Natural Gas)	ORDER
Company for Authority to Abandon Service)	SETTING MOTIONS FOR
to BASF Corporation and to Offer Future)	ORAL ARGUMENTS
Service upon Negotiated, Non-Regulated)	
Prices.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) on various motions filed by the major parties in this action, Piedmont Natural Gas Company (Piedmont or the Company) and BASF Corporation (BASF). Piedmont has filed a Motion to Compel. In return, BASF has filed a Motion to Dismiss, or, in the alternative, to continue the hearing. Subsequently, Piedmont filed a response to BASF's response.

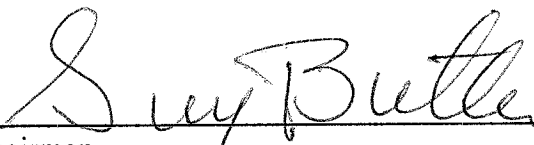
Because of the sheer complexity of this case, we hold that all Motions should be set for oral argument, so that we may better elucidate the issues before us. These oral arguments shall be held in the offices of the Commission on **Thursday, June 11, 1998 at 3:30 P.M.**

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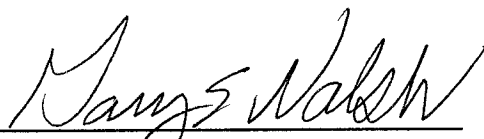
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This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:


Chairman

ATTEST:


Deputy Executive Director

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